GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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CHANGES IN GUIDELINES ON HARIYALI SCHEME
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the guidelines for Hariyali Scheme issued by the Union Government in April, 2003 have incorporated a number of changes in accordance with 73rd amendment to the Constitution;

(b) if so, whether certain problems in implementation of projects have increased as a result thereof;

(c) if so, whether certain States, particularly Maharashtra have requested for changes in these guidelines;

(d) if so, the State-wise details thereof and the response of the Union Government thereto; and

(e) the time by which such requests are likely to be acceded to?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA)

(a) Guidelines for watershed development have been suitably revised to provide a pivotal role to the Panchayat Raj Institutions (PRIs) w.e.f 1.4.2003 under Hariyali Guidelines.

(b) to (e) While there are no complaints from the State Governments on the spirit of Hariyali Guidelines for implementation through the Panchayati Raj Institutions, suggestions from States including Maharashtra are being received from time to time on operational issues, which are sorted out in consultation with the concerned States.